

Sixty-third
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1126

Introduced by

Transportation Committee

(At the request of the Highway Patrol)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-05-20.2 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to salvage certificates of title.

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 39-05-20.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **39-05-20.2. Issuance of salvage certificate of title.**

- 7 1. The owner of a vehicle that is damaged in excess of seventy-five percent of the
8 vehicle's retail value as determined by the national automobile dealers association
9 official used car guide shall forward the title for that vehicle to the department within
10 ten days and the department shall issue a salvage certificate of title. Glass damage
11 and hail damage must be excluded in the determination of whether a vehicle has been
12 damaged in excess of seventy-five percent of the vehicle's retail value.
- 13 2. If a vehicle for which a salvage certificate of title has been issued is reconstructed, a
14 regular certificate of title may be obtained by completing an application for the
15 certificate. The applicant shall include with the application a certificate of inspection in
16 the form required by the department, the salvage certificate of title, and a five dollar
17 fee. The department shall place on the regular certificate of title and on all subsequent
18 certificates of title issued for the vehicle the words "previously salvaged" and a
19 notation that damage disclosure information is available from the department. The
20 department may not issue a new certificate unless the vehicle identification number of
21 the vehicle has been inspected and found to conform to the description given in the
22 application or unless other proof of the identity of the vehicle has been provided to the
23 satisfaction of the department.

- 1 3. The certificate of inspection required under this section must be completed by a
2 ~~mechanic certified by an industry-recognized certificate who~~ licensed new or used
3 motor vehicle dealer with publicly offered motor vehicle repair services. The dealer
4 completing the certificate of inspection may not be the dealer who reconstructed the
5 vehicle and must state the vehicle is in compliance with the requirements of chapter
6 39-21.